रेल परियोजना के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश से प्राप्त प्रस्ताव

48. **श्री ईश दत्त यादव** : क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) उन प्रस्तावों का ब्यौरा क्या है जो सरकार को गत पांच वर्षों के दौरान उत्तर प्रदेश में रेल परियोजनाएं स्थापित करने के लिए उत्तर प्रदेश सरकार से प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ख) उनमें से प्रत्येक पर क्या कार्यवाही की गई है और परियोजनाओं को मंजुर न किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं; और

(ग) गत पांच वर्षों के दौरान केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा उत्तर प्रदेश में रेल सेवा में शुरू किए गए सुधार और विस्तार कार्य का वर्षवार ब्यौरा क्या है?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : (क) फर्रुखाबाद से हरदोई/संडीला तक नई लाइन के लिए।

(ख) परियोजनाओं के अलाभप्रद होने तथा संसाधनों की तंगी के कारण प्रस्ताव पर विचार नहीं किया जा सका।

(ग) सातवीं योजना के अन्तर्गत 1985–86 से 1989–90 तक की पांच वर्षों की अवधि में शुरू की गई प्रमुख परियोजनाओं का ब्यौरा संलग्न विवरण में दिया गया है। [अतरांकित प्रश्न 47 के साथ साथ संलग्न विवरण को देखिए ।

Supply of gas to Baroda Municipal Corporation by ONGC

49. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRIMATI MIRA DAS:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that ONGC is asking higher price for the natural gas supplied to Baroda Municipal Corporation for domestic supply;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard; what was the original price and what in the new price asked for by ONGC; and

(c) whether it is a fact that other cities of Gujarat are likely to be supplied with natural gas through private companies; if so, what are the details of the arrangements?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B. SHANKRANAND): (a) and (b) The price presently being asked by ONGC from the Baroda Municipal Corporation is Rs. 1400/- per thousand cu. metres which is the price of natural gas fixed by the Government of India.

(c) Allocation of natural gas has been given to the Gujarat Gas Company for supply of gas to the cities of Surat, Bharuch and Ankleshwar.

Increase in incidents of AIDS

50. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Mnister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the increasing incidence and rise in AIDS infaction in the country;

(b) what are the reasons for inadequate steps taken by Government in this regard;

(d) whether any assistance has been offered by any international agencies to combat AIDS;

(d) whether Government have taken any steps to involve voluntary agencies in educating the people about AIDS;

(e) what are the reasons for not using T.V. to highlight the dangers of AIDS; and

(f) what efforts are being made by Government to step up meaningful use of AIR/Doordarshan to combat AIDS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes.

(b) The Government has taken adequate steps to define the prevelence of HIV infaction in this country by putting into place an elaborate surveillance system. This surveillance sytem includes clinical, serological and sentinal surveillance. The Government of India has also taken steps to provide testing facilities for screening blood on a Zonal basis and for modernisation of blood banks.

(c) and (d) Yes.

(e) and (f) T..V. is being utilised to provide information about AIDS. Coordination is maintained and educational material are supplied from time to time to AIR and Doordarshan for mounting educational programmes on AIDS to educate the public.

Oil exploration by foreign oil companies

51. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many foreign oil companies have expressed their interest in oil exploration in India;

(b) whether the Minister had held any discussions with them during his recent visit abroad; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER of PETROLEUM AND NATUARL GAS (SHRI B SHANKARANAND): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. The Ministe discussions with several foreign oi companies who showed keen interes in participating in the Fourth Roun of biding.

Domestic gas connections

52. SHRI MENTAY PADAMANABHAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what steps Government propos to take to meet the approximate backlog of 70 lakh applications fo domestic gas connections;

(b) what is the State-wise breal up of this backlog;

(c) what is the existing system fo determining the annual State-wise allocation of new gas connections and

(d) what are the infrastructura facilities being developed presently to meet the huge demand?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI B SHANKARANAND): (a) and (d) Additional LPG connections will be given from time to time depending upon the availability of LPG in the country.

(b) A statement is annexed. (*See* below)

(c) Allocation of new LPG gas connections is not being done State wise. In allocating the new LPG gas connections, some preference is given to distributors who have not reached the viability levels.